Feb. 2014 301-773-8360



### FOR YOUR INFORMATION by Mayor Mike Callahan

Call 301-773-0248 to contact the Mayor. The Mayor's door at the Community Center is open to visitors on **Monday evenings** from 7:30 to 9:30 PM, except holidays or if otherwise posted.



### President's Day

Monday, February 17 Offices Closed No Trash Pickup



Good News regarding the FY2013 Audit: Simply put, the town's revenues were greater than estimated and the expenses were less than estimated. So if you don't want to read through the rest of this article here is the good news: Cheverly's fund balance at the end of FY2013 was \$2,081,094 which was \$381,524 greater than was estimated.

Discussing the budget at this time of year is a little confusing. We now have final FY2013 results, we are in the middle of FY2014, and we are beginning to plan for FY2015. This article only pertains to last year's (FY2013) audited results.

Here is a quick look at the Estimated Actuals for FY2013 vs the Audited Actuals:

	Estimate	Actual
Revenue	5,037,161	5,199,472
Expenses	4,830,574	4,673,921
Net	+ 206,587	+ 525,551
Previous Bal	1,492,983	1,492,983
Adjustment		+ 62,560
Current Bal	1,699,570	2,081,094

Typically the Council estimates both revenues and expenses conservatively to ensure that we are not surprised. However, this year we had a number of unexpected positive results. Below are some of the main drivers of the revenue surplus. The Good news is we should continue to see positive results in these categories.

	Estimate	Actual
Income Tax	660,000	771,246
Red Light Tkts **	63,000	178,034
Cable Fees	115,000	141,419

\*\* Red Light Revenue increased due to improvements by the state in identifying individuals who had outstanding tickets dating back up to eight years.

The details of the expense savings are distributed through many categories. However, our Town Leaders did a marvelous job of managing our town services with fewer personnel.

### Mayor FYI cont'd

What does this mean for FY2014? The Town Council had planned a deficit budget of \$316,205 for the current Fiscal Year. The primary driver for the planned deficit is the need to work with WSSC to repave the roads that have experienced construction.

While we will still have a deficit in FY2014, the good news is that the improved starting Fund Balance means we will end FY2014 with a Fund Balance of more than \$1.7M.

What does this mean for FY2015? It is much too early in the planning process to make definitive statements, but it certainly looks like we will be able to keep the Tax Rate at .58. This means that for 5 years beginning in FY2011, revenue from Property Taxes will remain flat and that the average Tax Bill for a Cheverly resident will have remained constant. More on FY2015 later!

**St Ambrose Church is Investigating Options for Group Home:** The St Ambrose Convent Building at the corner of Jason and 63<sup>rd</sup> Avenue has long been vacant. Recently Father Kennedy with support from the American Legion has been exploring the possibility of utilizing the building as a group home for Disabled Veterans. This concept is still very early in the planning stage, and will require community support and state funding.

While many of the details are not yet clear, Father Kennedy has outlined that the Group Home would be staffed by a religious order of Brothers who would tend to the needs of seven veterans. The Veterans would be staying at the facility for 6 to 18 months and may have jobs in the nearby area.

Father Kennedy has already begun a dialog with the community regarding the group home; of course he has started with the St Ambrose Church and School communities. If these communities are supportive, he will continue the dialog with the community as a whole by holding a Public Meeting at the American Legion and attending a Town Council Meeting. Father Kennedy has been clear that in our conversations that he will only move forward if he has support from the community.

This is a long term process as funding will be required and significant repairs will be needed for the building if this project moves forward.

Waste Not / Want Not: The Town Council will begin a dialog on how to continue towards a goal of "Zero Waste" in the January work session. Cheverly's FY2013 Landfill Tipping Fees actually decreased by \$35,000 compared to previous years. While we can't specifically attribute a reason for these savings, there are a number of trends in town that might be helping: 1) introduction of the New Composting Program, 2) Increases in recycling, and 3) use of Community Listserves for the purpose of "repurposing" household items. All of these trends eliminate items from the trash stream.

So as the New Year begins, why not:

Increase the amount you recycle. There are still some residents who don't recycle, while others only recycle only a small amount of what they possibly can.

While the Town pays a smaller amount for Yard Waste, we do still pay a fee. Reducing the amount of Yard Waste you bring to the curb will reduce tipping fees. Start a compost pile for your leaves and grass clippings and then add them to your gardens.

Think twice about the items you place in heavy trash on Thursday and Friday. Join one of the Town Listserves and offer gently used items to your neighbors. You can also consider bringing items to the local Thrift Stores for a tax deduction.

Cheverly Day and the Community Market: Just like Soup and Sandwich, Horse and Carriage and Peanut Butter and Jelly – the Community Market and Cheverly Day will once again share a Saturday in May. So mark your calendars for May 31<sup>st</sup>, come get your groceries in the morning and finish with some of the greatest fireworks in the area that evening.

### Mayor FYI cont'd

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**Green Infrastructure Tip of the Month:** Sometimes it seems that people believe that ivy growing on the trunks of trees is "pretty" or "natural". Nope, not true. That ivy is killing your tree.

Make your February resolution to "Free a Tree" and remove that ivy from the trunk of the tree. However, you need to be careful, do not pull the ivy from the tree as it will pull the bark off the tree as well. Instead use your pruners and cut the vines at the base of the tree and at eye level. This method will cause the ivy to die and turn brown. Once the ivy is completely dead it is easy to remove from the tree.

Cheverly's worst vine offenders are English Ivy and Chinese Wisteria. Learn more about invasive plants and how to remove them at: www.nps.gov/plants/ alien/pubs/midatlantic/midatlantic.pdf.

### **REMEMBER - FEBRUARY IS**

### **BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

The Cheverly Recreation Council will sponsor the John "Dent" Wilson Scholarship. There are two \$500 college scholarships to be awarded to a Cheverly resident who is enrolled full time in a academic or vocational post secondary education program for the 2013-2014 academic year. For applications call Judy DeLeonibus at 301-386-4251.

When filling out your MARYLAND TAX **RETURN,** Please remember to fill in the COUNTY AND CITY boxes just under your address label. It is important that you print in CHEVERLY as your city, so that the town gets its correct share of Maryland Income Taxes.

### **RECYCLING TOTALS** December 2013

Electronic Recycling—6 pallets
Appliances—6





*Message from the Chief* Buddy Robshaw (policechief@cheverly-md.gov)

THE GOOD NEWS IS......For two years running, the Cheverly Police Department and Cheverly community have seen crime

decrease considerably from 2011 levels and continue the downward trend that first started in 2006. For 2013, 225 criminal incidents were recorded, a number that was only eclipsed by the 194 incidents of 2012. These last two years have resulted in the lowest crime totals since accurate records first became available in January 1984. Assault, vandalisms, and stolen autos were down, and there were no homicides in the Town in 2013. On the other side of the ledger, B&E's and robberies were up slightly (20/23 and 10/12 respectively) and sex offenses rose from zero in 2013 to four in 2014. The real culprit between the crime statistics of 2012 and 2013, how-ever, is **theft**. The crime of theft rose 30% in 2013 with 122 reported incidents, clearly more than half of all reported crime.

**THE OTHER GOOD NEWS IS.....** More than half of all reported crime could easily be reduced or deterred if everyone would follow the simple steps listed below:

- 1. Be L.E.W.D. and lock every window and door when your vehicle or home is unattended.
- 2. Keep all of your valuables out of plain view, that includes loose change in your vehicle.
- 3. Light up the exterior of your home with LED or CFL bulbs and utilize photo-electric cells.
- 4. Record the serial numbers of all valuables and/or inscribe your Maryland driver's license number followed by the letters MD (Maryland) on expensive items. This driver's license information can be accessed by any police officer in the United States.
- 5. Call the Police Department when you are going out of the area so that officers can perform a House Check on your residence. And,
- 6. Join and attend C-PACT (Cheverly Police and Citizens Together), our local Neighborhood Watch Group. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 12, 2014.

**CREDIT CARD PROTECTION** – When you get a chance, go the Town's website located at <a href="www.cheverly-md.gov">www.cheverly-md.gov</a> and look for the newly posted information about preventing credit card fraud and identity theft.

C-PACT/CHEVERLY WATCH RESIDENT RADIO PROGRAM MEETING – The next joint meeting of C-PACT (Cheverly – Police And Citizens Together), Cheverly's Neighborhood Watch Organization, and the Cheverly Watch Resident Radio Program is scheduled for Wednesday, February 12, 2014, at 7:00 PM in the Department's conference room. The topic of discussion will be crime in 2013.

#### TELEPHONE NUMBERS –

9-1-1
(301) 352-1200
(301) 341-1055
(301) 341-0176
(240) 770-7641
(301) 220-1170
(301) 789-8551
(301) 852-8457
(301) 789-5090

### Crime Report for December 2013 (All addresses Are in Hundred Blocks)

12-02-13	1825 Hrs	6500 Landover Rd	Assault
12-03-13	1400 Hrs	5900 Euclid St	Theft
12-05-13	1004 Hrs	6500 Landover Rd	Theft
12-05-13	1550 Hrs	3000 Laurel Ave	B&E
12-09-13	0251 Hrs	2700 Belleview Ave	Assault
12-09-13	2028 Hrs	2800 Belleview Ave	Theft
12-10-13	1705 Hrs	6500 Landover Rd	Theft
12-11-13	0630 Hrs	6400 Landover Rd	Theft
12-15-13	1244 Hrs	5700 Greenleaf Rd	B&E
12-15-13	2240 Hrs	6000 Arbor Street	Robbery
12-16-13	1645 Hrs	5600 Lockwood Rd	B&E
12-16-13	1647 Hrs	5700 Landover Rd	B&E (Vacant
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			House)
12-20-13	1229 Hrs	3100 63 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue	House) Theft
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Meeting Agendas are updated on website: www.cheverly-md.gov and on Cheverly cable channel 71.

Town Meeting broadcast LIVE on Cable 71 & Fios 35. Re-broadcast everyday at noon 6:00 PM & 10:00 PM Also available via your computer on the website go to the homepage under Meetings.

### **ACTIONS TAKEN**

Votes were unanimous unless otherwise noted.

### **Town Meeting - December 12, 2013**

- ☐ CM Eldridge to write letter of support pending confirmation from CUMC. CM Rodgers seconded. Approved 6-0
- ☐ CM Rodgers to approve a \$1,000 grant to the Santa with a Badge program. CM Cook seconded. Approved. 6-0
- ☐ CM Coolen to adopt CA3-13 Annexation of property. CM Rodgers seconded. Approved 6-0
- ☐ CM Coolen to adopt R-6-13 Authorizing an Annexation Plan. CM Riazi seconded. Approved. 6-0.
- ☐ CM Riazi to Authorize a Gant up to \$900 for insurance for the Community Market. CM Eldridge seconded. Approved. 5-0. CM Coolen abstained.

### Town Meeting - January 9, 2014

- ☐ Motion CM Coolen to waive the bond requirements of \$2000 to the Town for the purpose of developing the pathway on Frohlich Lane. Seconded CM Riazi. Approved 6-0.
- ☐ Motion CM Eldridge to pass Ordinance O-1-14 regarding Dangerous Weapons. Seconded CM Rodgers. Approved 6-0.
- ☐ Motion CM Rodgers to pass Ordinance O-2-14 amending the Housing Section regarding Smoke Detectors. Seconded CM Cook. Approved 6-0.

### **TENTATIVE AGENDA**

### Town Meeting - February 13, 2014

☐ Introduction O-3-14—Amending Trash Section

Worksesson - February 27, 2014

### TRASH COLLECTION SCHEDULE

MON Town Wide YARD WASTE—Paper Bags ONLY
MON East side Regular Garbage Pickup only
TUE West side Regular Garbage Pickup only
WED Town wide RECYCLING (blue or yellow bins)
THU East side Garbage & SPECIAL TRASH (at curb)
FRI West side Garbage & SPECIAL TRASH (at curb)
Residents should place trash at the curb after7:00PM the day before your pickup. Trash must be placed in cans with tight fitting lids to ward off rodents.

**BAMBOO** is picked up with Thursday/Friday Special Trash. Tied up and bundled not longer than 4' **ELECTRONICS** are picked up on Wednesday with recycling. TV's any size, computers (remove hard drive), monitors, keyboards, etc. Place these items next to your recycle bucket. **APPLIANCES-**Washers, dryers, stoves, dishwashers, refrigerators/freezers (remove doors) microwaves (any size), A/C units (any size) - \$20 for removal, contact Public Works at 301-773-2666

<u>HOLIDAYS</u>? Public Works crews DO NOT work on holidays. Collections on holidays are **CANCELLED** 

Cheverly Recreation Council - next meeting will be Tuesday, February 25th at 7PM in the Conference room at the Community Center. Topics of discussion will be the Saturday April 19th Easter Egg Hunt and the Saturday April 5, Spring Flea Market. Reservations start Saturday March 1st for the Spring Flea Market. Tables are \$15. Call Barbara 301-773-5883

**Need help with YARD WORK?** To assist our elderly, and other residents who need help with yard work, Cheverly maintains this list of teenagers who are interested in being hired for mowing lawns, raking leaves, shoveling snow, etc. Cheverly teenagers can call the town office 301-773-8360 if they wish to add their names to this list

 Aswan Mangrum
 301-609-0585

 Dorian Dixon
 301-322-1075

 Andrew Priest
 301-772-6028

 Ben Hartmann
 301-772-6596

 Malik & Tyreq McAdoo
 301-832-1576

# CHEVERLY GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE— Meeting- Mon, February 3, 2014 7:30-9:00 p.m. Large Conference Room, Cheverly Community Center. Monthly meeting to report progress on Cheverly greening efforts and plan next steps and new initiatives.

In implementing the Cheverly Green Infrastructure Plan, your Cheverly Green Infrastructure Committee is working on projects in education, planning, and research.

All are welcome to join in the activities of the committee! Contact <a href="mailto:sheila.salo@gmail.com">sheila.salo@gmail.com</a> to request a copy of the agenda. For more information on the Cheverly Green Plan and greening activities visit: <a href="https://www.greencheverly.org">www.greencheverly.org</a>.

GREEN @ HOME: EmPOWER Maryland Comes to Cheverly. In 2008, the Maryland General Assembly passed the EmPOWER Maryland Energy Efficiency Act. The legislation set a target reduction of 15 percent in per capita electricity consumption and demand. As part of the EmPOWER Maryland legislation, Maryland's five utilities offer many programs to save your home or business energy—and money!

How does EmPOWER Maryland work, and what programs are offered? Representatives of the Maryland Energy Administration and Pepco are coming to Cheverly to provide explanations and answer your questions.

Thursday, February 13, 7 PM, preceding the Town Meeting, Cheverly Community Center

Progressive Cheverly - Join us on Thursday, February 6 for our monthly Progressive Cheverly Forum. This month's topic will be Raising the Minimum Wage: Issues and Prospects for Adoption, featuring David Harrington, President/CEO, Prince George's Chamber of Commerce, and Craig Simpson, Executive Director, United Food and Commercial Workers Union, Local 400. The Forum will be take place at 7 p.m. at the Hoyer School Cafeteria, 2300 Belleview Ave.. Everyone is welcome. Please bring your neighbors and friends. Refreshments will be served, followed by a business meeting at 8pm.

On March 6, our Forum topic will be Reforming the Juvenile Justice system. Watch the March newsletter for details.

### **Learn More About Gladys Noon**

**Spellman Elementary** - Are you thinking about/ wondering about/worried about where to send your child (ren) for elementary school? Again this year several parents of current students at Gladys Noon Spellman Elementary School are hosting a breakfast and open discussion about Spellman. We are parents whose K-6th grade children currently attend Spellman and we'd love to share our experiences with you and answer your questions! Gladys Noon Spellman is Cheverly's local, public elementary school. You've probably seen its playground, fields and back driveway on 63rd Avenue, between Joslyn Place and Kilmer Avenue. The front entrance of the school is accessible via the portion of Kilmer that is off of Rt. 202.

Whether you're considering Spellman for next year or several years from now, we hope you'll join us to learn more about our wonderful public elementary school.

Parent Perspectives on Gladys Noon Spellman

Elementary, Saturday, February 22 from 10:00am 11:30am at the home of Nancy and Chad Clay, 3017

Park Way, Cheverly

Coffee, juice and light breakfast will be provided. Babies in arms are welcome, but please make childcare arrangements for older children.

We hope you can join us! If you have any questions in advance or to RSVP please contact Nancy Clay at clayc02@yahoo.com or 301-395-6129.

Your RSVP would be very helpful for planning, but is not necessary if you find that you can attend at the last minute.

Woman's Club - We invite you to enjoy our annual <u>Black History Celebration 2014!</u> The event is on <u>Sun</u>, <u>Feb9 from 4 - 7 p.m. at the American Legion</u>. It's a pot luck so please bring a dish to share. There will be a program for all ages involving Black History, "The Beloved Community" and peace. If you'd like to participate in the program, let us know. There are tables available for local small businesses for \$15. Call Lillian Wilson at 301-728-1646 to make arrangements for a table.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday, March 4 at Fratelli's at 7 p.m. Come to meet and enjoy your neighbors and learn what the Woman's Club is doing this year.

### NATURE HIKES

Leader: Matt T. Salo, mtsalo1@gmail.com, 301-341-1261 Saturday, Feb. 15 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. Woodworth Park, Sunday, Feb.16 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. Nature Park,

The PG/AA Chapter of the Maryland Native Plant Society, The Cheverly Green Infrastructure Committee and its Science Advisory Committee are co-sponsoring nature hikes, coupled with the Great Backyard Bird Count of local birds, under the auspices of the Audubon Society and Cornell Lab of Ornithology on four days (Friday through Monday) from February 14th to the 17th, 2014. Two public hikes are planned for Saturday and Sunday, February 15th and 16th at the Woodworth and Nature Parks respectively. Both hikes will be guided by experienced bird watchers. We will also be identifying trees and whatever native plants we come across. This is a great chance to get out, learn about birds and enjoy what nature has to offer this time of the year.

**Woodworth Park,** 6401 Forest Rd, Cheverly, MD. For Saturday hike at Woodworth Park, starting from Cheverly Ave, head East on Forest Rd. Follow it for about 4 blocks to the Town Hall/Community Center at the end of a long entrance drive (opposite 64th Ave). Free parking is available on left side of Town Hall.

Cheverly Nature Park entrance is near 3398 Tremont Ave., Cheverly, MD. [Address is for orientation only; owners are not associated with the hike]. For the Sunday hike turn West from Cheverly Ave onto Forest Rd and continue three blocks until the road splits; stay to the right and continue straight ahead for two more blocks passing Crest and then turn right on Tremont Ave; go to its end and park on street.

You will need a pair of binoculars; bird or plant guides are optional, but be sure to dress appropriately for the weather.

Note: Fairly easy walking on good trails, but there are some slopes to climb. May be cancelled for heavy rain, wind or other inclement weather. Call 301-341-1261, if in doubt.

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If you can't make it to either of the public outings, you can simply observe and count birds around your home or neighborhood during any of the four days of the count and still make a contribution to science. For information go to the website http://www.birdsource.org/gbbc/howto.html and click for directions on "How to Participate."

If you are an experienced hiker and don't mind difficult, rough, cross-country terrain, you may also join Matt on Friday the 14th or Monday the 17th on additional hikes along Lower Beaverdam Creek (**rubber boots a must**), or around Euclid Woods and PG Hospital hill. Both morning and afternoon hikes are possible. Please call 301-341-1261 ahead for times and directions.

Cheverly Cub Scout Pack 257 rechartered this year as a GOLD quality unit. We are all very proud of our youth and adult leaders, and grateful to American Legion post 108 for making our program possible. This winter we visited the national archives museum and conducted pinewood derby races. In February we will hold our Blue and Gold pot luck dinner. This spring we will be conducting orienteering, search and rescue and earth day conservation projects. Cub Scouts meet the first Wednsday of every month at the American Legion 7-8pm, and conduct pack or den activates each week. Boys in grades 1-5 contact Cubmaster Dave at <a href="mailto:davidja2@dni.gov">davidja2@dni.gov</a> or call 202 744-7100.





### GROW YOUR OWN! The Cheverly

Community Vegetable Garden located at Boyd Park is accepting applications for the 2014 growing season. 4' wide x 20' long plots are available for a \$20 fee for Cheverly residents, \$30 for non-residents. Many town residents do not have vegetable gardens on their own property for reasons such as: terrain, shade, or lack of space. The CHV Community Vegetable Garden provides a sunny, level place to grow fresh veggies close to home. Stop by the front office at the Cheverly Community Center to get an application and guidelines. Contact us if you have questions at chygardens@verizon.net.

Larger plots are available at 6424 Old Landover Road through the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission. Plot sizes are 10' x 20' for \$35 and 20' x 20' for \$55. If you are interested, please contact the M-NCPPC Permit Office (6600 Kenilworth Avenue in Riverdale) at 301-699-2400 or <a href="mailto:parkermits@pgparks.com">parkpermits@pgparks.com</a> after February 3<sup>rd</sup>.



Cheverly Community Market - Help Wanted: Market Manager The Board of CCM is looking for the right person to serve as part-time market manager for the upcoming season. This person can expect support from our vendors, the Maryland

Department of Agriculture, the Town and the market board (one of whom is a past manager), as well as a small stipends. Any applicant should be interested in fulfilling our primary mission of providing wider access to fresh local food and support for the arts, and be flexible enough to coordinate all markets and communicate with our vendors and community groups regularly. The right person should be able to enlist volunteers as needed, but will have a board working to garner community support and also behind the scenes in supporting roles themselves. We are especially interested in current local vendors with good people/ networking skills who have a vested interest in seeing the market as a whole flourish. Social networking proficiency is also very helpful. The greatest asset a market manager has is the community he/she serves. We have Cheverly, the dates, the vendors and the support -- now all we need is You.

Please visit <a href="www.cheverlycommunitymarket.com">www.cheverlycommunitymarket.com</a> for our history and information. Email cheverlycommunitymarket@gmail.com to apply or ask any relevant questions. Or call Cathy Wintermyer (240) 499-6442 any time.

Check out our 2014 dates on the Town of Cheverly's website <a href="http://www.cheverly-md.gov/Pages/index">http://www.cheverly-md.gov/Pages/index</a>. We will open Saturday, May 31, and will operate every other Saturday throughout the summer until October 25th. As usual, we plan on hosting the Thanksgiving and Holiday Markets on November 23rd and December 13.

Thank you to everyone who made the 2013 season such a success, especially Liz O'Leary, Diane Beedle and Kathryn Andrews, who we will miss terribly but call on often. We made great strides as a board, as a fully formed farmers market on our way to becoming a 501c3 organization and as a community. Let's keep it going!

Please feel free to talk to any of our fantastic board of directors about the possibilities ahead:

Monica Mohindra, Kelly Fisher, Fr. Kevin Kennedy, Rachel Mears, Liz Tuckermanty Mary Jane Coolen and/or Cathy Wintermyer

### **Cheverly Parents Resource Center**

**(CPRC)** Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3pm-5pm: Spring Dance at the Cheverly Community Center Wear your party clothes to dance, jump, and sing the afternoon away with the fun and fabulous DJ Iana! Snacks and drinks will be provided. Glow toys will be available for sale. \$5/family for CPRC members, \$7/family for non-CPRC members.

Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, 9:30am-11:30am: Superhero Playgroup— Bring your costume and your superpowers, try your hand at our obstacle course, and bring a snack to share for this special playgroup event at the Community Center gymnasium!

Tuesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, 10:30am-11:45am: New Parent/ Infant Caregiver Meet-Up - Have an infant who's not quite ready for playgroup? Come to Shortcake Bakery (4700 Rhode Island Avenue in Hyattsville) to support a local business and to get to know other new parents!

# Join Us At the community Sweetheart Charity Ball on Friday, Feb 7!

The second annual Sweetheart Charity Ball--a big hit that sold out last year--will be held this year on Friday, Feb. 7 from 7 to midnight at Fannon Hall, St Ambrose Church lower level, 3107 63rd Ave. It is a potluck dinner and dance, featuring Dino & Friends--dance music such as swing, samba, waltz and more! Tickets are \$20 per person or table of 10 for \$200. Cocktail attire suggested Reservations or more info: Natalie Pappas, sweetheartcharityball@gmail.com or 419-610-1069, or Joani Horchler at cell 301-802-7445. If you can't attend, a \$50 or more tax-deductible donation will get your name on a sponsorship posterboard. Photographer Lauren Augustine will be at the event taking pictures. This fun benefits two wonderful charities: FAIR Girls, which provides care and opportunities to girls and boys who have experienced or at risk of trafficking and/or sexual and labor exploitation, and Catholic Charities Immigration Legal Services and Refugee Center, which provides support to refugees and victims of human trafficking.

### **Cheverly American Legion**

Boys State and Scholarships. For high school students, the Cheverly American Legion can sponsor a student for Boys State this summer. Please contact us during February or early March before at <a href="mailto:CheverlyAmericanLegion@yahoo.com">CheverlyAmericanLegion@yahoo.com</a> for this summers program. For those completing Boys State or the American Legion Auxiliary Girls State Program and are a direct descendant of a wartime veteran, the students are eligible for a Samsung scholarship administered by the National American Legion.

**Membership.** We encourage new members and want all current members to renew their membership for the Post, the Auxiliary, and Sons of the American Legion. If you are a Veteran or a descendant, please contact us to determine your eligibility.

**Super Bowl 2014 – February 2!** Come to the dugout on February 2 for a comradely experience. All our welcome!

Winter Olympics at the Legion! The 2014 Sochi Winter Olympics starts February 7. You are welcome to come watch the Olympics in the dugout. Bring a bag of chips and relax!

**Fridays - Queen of Hearts!** Thank you to everyone who played the fall Queen of Hearts Game. The game was won, and a new game has started! Come every Friday before 7:30pm. All are welcome.

Look Out – Chili Cook-Off April 5, 2014! Yes, due to extreme popular demand, we will have another Chili Cook-Off. This event promises to be quite the blast. We're taking in account your welcome feedback from last year for a supreme competition. Plan your recipe now and watch out for details.

**Visit us!** Post 108 welcomes the community to visit or participate in any of our events above. The dugout is open 4pm-10pm daily. Call 301-773-0108. Thank you!





**Zumba Gold -** is a low-impact & **Zumba Basic** is a high impact, easy to follow Latin-inspired cardio dance fitness party. I, Ronald Johnson used to weigh 280 lbs... now, I weigh 140 lbs. and you can lose weight too.

Keep your New Year's Resolution, get physically fit with Zumba-Gold/Basic and increase cardiovascular health and tone muscles. Come join the Party! Cheverly Community Center, Tuesday 9-10 am and Friday 12:30-1:30 pm. \$60 monthly. Register at www.smartlink.pgparks.com. Your State & Local certified Zumba-Gold/Basic instructor, personal trainer, sports nutritionist and CPR Ronald Johnson.

Cheverly Garden Club.....weather still up and down so we are staying in and having meetings 4th floor Cheverly United Church. On February 17th we are very fortunate to have a Cheverly person and member of the garden club who is a well known photographer. Oliver Smith is asking you to bring photographs and your camera to discover how to click nature at its finest. He will do a Show and Tell and critique and answer questions. How many times do we see something so beautiful and wish he had it mounted for our own home or a gift. There are secrets that are easy to do and get the results we want. This is free and informal. Bring yourself and equipment 7:00PM. The Caladiums have been ordered and will go to the first person who signs up for them when they arrive. Notify Ann Gardenhour, Acgardenh@aol.com and put your name on the list. If you Email, mark it for Cheverly bulb order so it will not be deleted. We still have a few seats on the bus for Fallingwater, Frank Lloyd Wrights famous design in Pennsylvania. Leave the driving to us, you do not have to be a member. May 17, \$100 person inclusive and leaves from the CUMC parking lot, contact 301 773 1991 for information and identify your call when/ if you leave a message. Please come, "we are a dirt under the nails club".

Join your friendly neighborhood environmental group, **Friends of Lower Beaverdam Creek**, on Sat, Feb 22 between 9 am and noon for our monthly Work Party. We'll be meeting at Woodworth Tot Park at Wayne Place to spread wood chips on the trail and remove invasives. Tools, gloves, snacks, and water will be provided. As always, school community service hours are available. Hope to see you there! For more information, contact Joani Horchler at 301-802-7445 (cell) or horcpool97@aol.com.

### **LEAF COLLECTION PROCEDURES**

Vacuuming Leaves: Every street in Cheverly is scheduled for at least 2 vacuuming sweeps.

Rake leaves **between** the curb and sidewalk - not on the street or sidewalk.

- Keep leaves free of twigs, branches, metal, concrete and other debris that can jam or damage the equipment.
- Please do not park cars on the street on the assigned collection day
- Be considerate of your neighbors. Only rake to curb when your pick up day is imminent. Raking too early, allows the leaves to blow into your neighbors yard.

**Bag Leaves:** Yard waste is collected on **MONDAYS** Put bags at the curb on Sunday evening. Use **Paper Bags** only. Yard waste includes leaves, grass, brush, twigs, etc. Do not put any dirt, rocks, or other trash/debris in these bags. If you have any questions, please call Public Works at 301-773-2666.

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Benton Rd. 5900-5901 Belleview Ave. 2300-2358 (even) Belleview Ave. 2301-2351 (odd) Euclid St. 5901-6012

#### February 6

59<sup>th</sup> Avenue 2410-2421 59<sup>th</sup> Place 2400-2433 Valleyway 2400-2800

#### February 7

Laurel Avenue 2800-3407 Kilmer St. 6100-6220 62<sup>nd</sup> Place One Way Alley Landover Rd. 6101-6205 (odd)

**February 11-14** Entire Town

### WINTER WEATHER REMINDERS

### TOWN CODE - Sec. 27-10—Parking

A snow emergency shall exist whenever snow has accumulated on the streets to a depth of one (1) inch or more. The provisions of this subsection shall be effective without any notification and shall remain in effect until the street is plowed; provided, however, that when snow shall accumulate to a depth of one inch or more after 11:00PM, the provisions of this subsection shall not be effective until 7:00AM the day following and shall remain in effect until the street is plowed.

# PARKING RESTRICTIONS: During a snow emergency no person shall park any vehicle as follows:

- On the cul-de-sac portion of any street,
- On any courts,
- On the even-numbered side of all streets,
- **(exception)** On the odd-numbered side of 59th Avenue, and one block of Inwood Street between Cheverly Avenue & Belleview Avenue.

**NOTE:** The snow emergency parking restrictions do not override existing no-parking zones or apply to streets where enforcement would disallow all parking because of a no-parking zone, or to streets with any barrier or strip dividing lanes of traffic.

**PRIORITIES:** The snow removal operations work under the following priorities: 1.) Cheverly Avenue 2.) principal connecting streets: Forest Road, Crest Avenue, Valleyway, Greenleaf Road, 62nd Avenue, State Street, Schuster Drive; 3.) all other streets.

#### TOWN CODE Sec. 18-4.1—SIDEWALKS

Whenever snow accumulates to a depth of one inch or more, it is the duty of each occupant to clear the snow from the sidewalk adjacent to that property, within 12 hours after the snow ceases, (unless at night, in which case it shall be removed within 12 hours after sunrise). Snow and ice removed from sidewalks shall NOT be deposited on streets or other sidewalks

When ice forms on sidewalks, occupant shall place sand, ashes or other such material on sidewalks within 6 hours, (unless at night, in which case it can be spread by noon of the next day). Icy spots on public property can be reported to Public Works at **301-773-2666**.



# SOLID ANIMAL WASTE ORDINANCE

**Sec. 4-10** (a) It shall be unlawful for a person controlling an animal,

except a seeing eye dog, to allow or permit solid waste of such animal to remain on the property of any other person without the consent of the owner or occupant thereof; or on such public properties as are prohibited by order of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Cheverly. Prohibited areas are sidewalks, Gast Park, American Legion Park, Boyd Park, & play areas of all other parks.



### **SAFETY REMINDER:**

We ask residents to remember that your neighbors who walk to Metro, or children walking to school, and the hard working Mail Carriers are

exposed to dangerous conditions when sidewalks are not cleared in a timely manner. Failure to comply with Town Code could result in fines.

# TRASH PICKUP ADJUSTMENTS DUE TO WINDER STORMS:

\* When weather makes it unsafe to operate the trash trucks on the streets, collection may be temporarily suspended.

Back or side door pickups WILL NOT be made when heavy snow conditions prevail. Please bring you trash to the curb.

# **Cheverly Newsletter**

### February 2014



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#### Town Offices: (Mon-Fri, 9AM-5PM)

 Administration
 301-773-8360

 Police Admin & Code Enforcement
 301-341-1055

 Public Works (M-F: 7:30-4)
 301-773-2666

Maryland Relay 711

FAX 301-773-0173 If you need a Police Officer call: 301-352-1200

WEB SITE: www.cheverly-md.gov

Email "Contact The Town" button at the Website

The Town of Cheverly does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, or sexual orientation. If you are a person with a disability (vision, hearing, or speech impairment) & wish to participate in Town activities or programs, please contact the Town Office at 773-8360, or the Maryland Relay System at 1-800-735-2258.

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### Meetings & Events

### **GOVERNMENT EVENT SCHEDULE**

Wed Feb 12 7:00 pm C-PACT Meeting
Thur Feb 13 8:00 pm TOWN MEETING
Mon Feb 17 Presidents Day—Offices Closed
Thur Feb 20 7:30 pm WORKSESSION

#### CHEVERLY WEBSITE www.cheverly-md.gov

You can easily contact the Mayor & Council through their town email accounts. There are also links at the Mayor & Council pages of the website.

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### COMMUNITY EVENT SCHEDULE

- ☐ Green Infrastructure Feb 3, 7:30-9 pm Meeting Feb. 13, 7pm EmPOWER Q&A
- □ Nature Hikes Sat. Feb 15, 9-10 am, Woodworth Park Sun. Feb 16, 10-11 am, Nature Park
- ☐ CAPS Sat. Feb. 22, 10-11:30 am Parent Perspectives
- ☐ Zumba Gold/Basic Tues 9-10 am, Fri. 12:30-1:30 pm
- Garden Club Feb 17,7 pm, Meeting, bring your camera
- ☐ Second Annual Sweetheart Charity Ball Feb. 7, 7-midnight, St. Ambrose Church, Fannon Hall
- ☐ FLBC Sat. Feb. 22, 9-noon, monthly Work Party
- ☐ Cub Scout Pack 257 Meet first Wed of month 7-8pm
- □ Progressive Cheverly Feb. 6, Forum 7pm at Hoyer.
- American Legion Boys State sponsorship. Super Bowl Party Feb. 2, Winter Olympics starts Feb. 7
- ☐ CPRC Spring Dance Feb. 2, 3pm-5pm, Feb 14 9:30-11am, Superhero playgroup, Feb 25, 10:30-11:45 New parent/infant Garegiver meet up